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Copies of the listed documents along with copies of the International Search Reports received from the European Patent Office in the counterpart application were previously submitted in a prior application, Application No. 09/814,178, filing date March 22, 2001, upon which Applicant relies for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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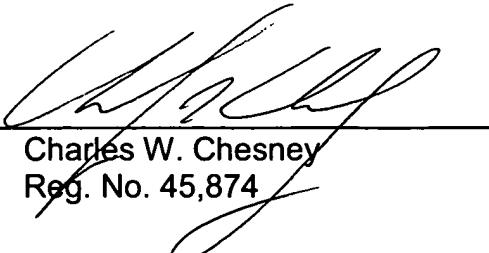
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